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**NOTICE.**  
North Carolina, In the Superior Court,  
McDowell Co., February Term, 1909.  
J. A. Whetstone  
vs.  
L. F. Whetstone.

The defendant above-named will take  
notice that an action entitled as above  
has been commenced in the Superior  
Court of McDowell county to obtain an  
absolute divorce, and the said defendant  
will further take notice that she is re-  
quired to appear at the next term of  
the Superior Court of said county to be  
held on the 6th Monday after the 1st  
Monday of January, 1909, at the court  
house of said county in Marion, N. C.,  
and answer or demur to the complaint  
in said action, or the plaintiff will apply  
to the Court for the relief demanded in  
said complaint.

This the 19th day of January, 1909.  
THOS. MORRIS,  
Clerk of the Superior Court.

**NOTICE.**  
North Carolina, In the Superior Court,  
McDowell Co., February Term, 1909.  
A. Blanton, C. W. Laughridge and W.  
A. Ginn, trading as A. Blanton Gro-  
cery Company, John E. Hurst & Com-  
pany, Cosby Shoe Company, Wingo-  
Billett & Gramp Shoe Company, Arm-  
strong, Taylor & Company and Quinn-  
Marshall Company,  
vs.  
W. B. Bunt.

The plaintiff above named will take  
notice that an action entitled as above  
has been commenced in the Superior  
Court of McDowell county to recover  
damages for land reserved and for goods  
sold and delivered upon contract and  
for the appointment of a receiver to  
take charge of the property, goods and  
debts of the defendant, and the said  
defendant will further take notice that  
he is required to appear at the next  
term of the Superior Court of said coun-  
ty to be held on the 6th Monday after  
the 1st Monday in January, 1909, at the  
court house of said county in Marion,  
N. C., and answer or demur to the com-  
plaint in said action, or the plaintiff  
will apply to the court for the relief de-  
manded in said complaint.

This the 21st day of January, 1909.  
THOS. MORRIS,  
Clerk of Superior Court.

THE DEMOCRAT and Progressive  
Farmer both one year for \$1.50.

**THE LEGISLATURE.**

**Houses Fixes Salary of Commissioner  
of Labor and Printing at \$2,000.**  
News and Observer, 29th.

Senator Latham's bill to pro-  
mote the draining of wet, swamp  
and overflowed lands, yesterday  
passed its second reading in the  
Senate, and will be taken from the  
calendar at noon today on its final  
reading. There are a few amend-  
ments which will be considered,  
but no fear is entertained for the  
successful adoption of the bill as  
it came from the committee, ex-  
pecting an amendment or two to  
perfect the law. The bill provides  
for leveling, ditching and draining  
of such lands, the establishment of  
drainage districts, and for the as-  
sessment and collection of the cost  
of the work of reclaiming wet,  
swamp and overflowed lands. The  
provisions of the bill, which has  
been endorsed by the State Geo-  
logical and Economic Survey, are  
familiar to the public.

The Empie bill to prevent the  
selling of quail or grouse within  
the State of North Carolina for a  
period of two years passed its final  
reading in the Senate after several  
amendments had been defeated.

The Senate passed on its second  
reading the bill by Senator Klutz  
to prohibit the sending of public  
documents with the "compliments"  
of the officers of the State. The  
bill provides that no report, docu-  
ment or publication of any kind  
distributed by or from any depart-  
ment or bureau of the State shall  
contain any notice that such report  
or publication is sent with the  
"compliments" of an officer of  
State, or with any special notice  
that it is so sent, except that notice  
that it has been sent, with a re-  
quest for an acknowledgement of its  
receipt, may be given.

The Manning bill allowing the  
governing body of a city or town to  
appoint an inspector of gas, water  
and electric meters passed its  
final reading in the Senate.

The House amended the Senate  
bill fixing the salary of the Com-  
missioner of Labor and Printing at  
\$2,500 by reducing it to \$2,000,  
an increase of \$500 per annum  
over the present compensation of  
that State officer. The bill will  
now go to the Senate for concur-  
rence in the House amendment.

Life insurance statistics show  
that in the last twenty-five years  
the average duration of life has  
increased by two years. This is  
encouraging and due mainly to  
greater medical and surgical knowl-  
edge, improved sanitation, and  
general better conditions of life.  
If more people would stop burn-  
ing the candle at both ends by  
fast living and injudicious habits  
the coming years would show an  
even greater increase. It is only  
too true, as the refrain of an old  
song says, that with many people,  
"It is not the miles we travel but  
the pace that kills." Certainly the  
pace of our modern American life  
is too rapid and it is to that fact  
we have so many nervous wrecks  
and sudden deaths.

The solicitors salary bill was  
killed in the House Wednesday on  
its third reading by a vote of 46  
to 62. Many amendments were  
offered, but all were voted down  
except one by Mr. Koonce to pre-  
vent the solicitors from drawing  
the \$20 now paid out of the State  
Treasury. The bill as defeated  
was the same that was passed on  
second reading Tuesday—the  
Koonce bill as amended to make  
the salary \$2,250 instead of \$2,750.

Farming is easily the most im-  
portant of our industries. Last  
year the value of all farm products  
reached the enormous total of \$7-  
778,000,000, which was four times  
that of all our mineral products,  
including the precious metals.  
Evidently the "poor farmer" is  
pretty much extinct.

**Washington Office Gave Up**  
to three doctors; was kept in bed for  
five weeks. Blood poison from a spider-  
bit caused large, deep sores to cover  
his leg. The doctors failed, then  
"Bucklen's Arnica Salve" completely  
cured me," writes John Washington, of  
Bosqueville, Tex. For eczema, boils,  
burns and piles its supreme. 25c at J.  
W. Streetman's drug store.

**C. C. & O. OFFICIALS IN SHELBY.**

**Prominent Officials of the New Road  
There Last Week on Inspecting  
Tour—The New Line Soon to  
be in Active Operation.**  
Cleveland Star, 29th.

A special train having aboard  
the leading officials of the Caro-  
lina, Clinchfield and Ohio railway  
the great new line just being com-  
pleted from the coal fields of the  
West and connecting with the  
Seaboard Air Line at Bostic, was  
here Wednesday.

The party consisted of Messrs.  
Mark W. Potter, of New York,  
Chairman of Board of Directors;  
M. J. Capers, Vice-Chairman and  
General Manager; L. H. Phettig-  
place, Superintendent and J. J.  
Champion, Traffic Manager.

Learning that they would spend  
a short time here a delegation of  
representative citizens of the town  
headed by Mayor Suttle met the  
special train Tuesday morning and  
were most courteously received.  
The officials, although ready to  
accord any information of interest  
to the public were not in a position  
to give out anything definite now  
other than to say with definite-  
ness that as far as connection with  
the Seaboard at Bostic was con-  
cerned this would be accomplished  
by February 15th, and coal laden  
cars would be ready on that date  
for delivery to the Seaboard.

As to passenger service, plans  
are as yet unannounced. This much  
we can say with accuracy through  
vestibuled trains from Johnson  
City to Charlotte and Marion via  
Shelby, will be in operation with-  
in the next few weeks.

The track has all been laid from  
Johnson City to within five miles  
of Bostic and the Seaboard con-  
nection will be made by the date  
above mentioned, February 15th.

It will then be up to the Seaboard  
people to complete the ballasting,  
which work has reached  
Mt. Holly, as well as the new  
iron bridges now being finished up  
so as to accommodate the heavy  
trains to be delivered them by the  
C. C. & O. at Bostic. Superin-  
tendent Gore, of the Seaboard who  
accompanied the new road officials  
from Monroe here, said the Seaboard  
was pushing everything to the  
limit in order to be ready to  
handle the great volume of traffic  
to be received.

Chairman of Directors Potter  
assured the delegation that while  
the plans just now were incomplete  
and tentative, that within the next  
few days a statement would be given  
the public as to plans and pur-  
poses in inaugurating passenger  
and freight service.

**News From Rutherford.**  
Rutherfordton Sun, 29th.  
Mr. G. W. Bryant, of Marion,  
is here for a few days on business.  
Chief of Police Finley, of Marion,  
was in town for a few hours  
Wednesday morning.  
Mr. J. W. Winborne, a promi-  
nent attorney of Marion, was in  
town Monday on legal business.  
Mr. C. W. Laughridge, the  
popular traveling salesman of the  
A. Blanton Grocery Company, of  
Marion, was in town Monday.

**Baptizing at Sunnyvale.**  
Sunnyvale, Jan. 24.—Good news comes  
from the little community of Sunnyvale  
Baptist church the baptizing of fifteen  
persons, six males and nine females.  
This is the fruit of a protracted meeting  
held January 3rd to 7th. The baptizing  
services were held at 10 o'clock, a. m., at  
a very beautiful place at the water  
about one-half mile from the church.  
The order of service at the water was  
scriptural reading and lesson by the  
Pastor, Rev. Joseph Sparks, from the third  
chapter of Mathews, after which a well  
formed prayer was offered by Bro. W.  
F. McMahan. As the day was an un-  
usually pleasant one, there was a large  
turnout from the surrounding neighbor-  
hoods.

Services were conducted at the church  
at eleven o'clock.

**For that Terrible Itching.**  
Eczema, tetter and salt rheum keep  
their victims in perpetual torment. The  
application of Chamberlain's Salve will  
immediately allay this itching, and many  
cases have been cured by its use. For  
sale by J. W. Streetman.

**IMPROVED FARMING.**

**Charlotte Chronicle.**

The government seems to be  
meeting with encouraging results  
from the operations of its "demon-  
stration" farms in this State.  
The agent of the demonstration  
work in Union county has turned  
in his report to the Monroe Jour-  
nal, and it gives a clear idea as to  
the improvement being wrought  
in the system of agriculture in this  
section. The agent, Mr. Tom  
Broom, reports results from 96  
cotton patches under demonstration  
work. From these 96 patches the  
average yield per acre was one bale  
of 475 pounds. The average over  
the cotton States is one-third of a  
bale, less than a half in Union  
county. See what a jump this is,  
and think how these results will be  
increased when the work is better  
understood. There were 84 corn  
patches, and the average yield was  
81 bushels per acre. The average  
yield in North Carolina in 1907  
was 18 bushels, which is about the  
average, or more, for this county.  
Better plowing, better seed, shall-  
ow and frequent cultivation, not  
heavy fertilizing, thus jump it up  
to 31! It must be remembered  
that these plots were not the rich  
spots of the farms, but the average;  
and in the case of the corn less  
than the average corn land, because  
the spots had to be selected on the  
public roads. The thing sought  
was to show that by deep fall or  
winter plowing, thorough prepara-  
tion of the seed bed, good seed,  
and shallow cultivation, the pro-  
duction can be increased many fold.  
Since the plowing could not be  
done till spring, the results of the  
work of the coming year when it  
will be much better understood,  
will be even greater.

Mr. Broom says that "hundreds  
of farmers who had no demon-  
stration patches followed the methods  
and found them correct. One of  
the worst things that old style  
farming was guilty of deep plow-  
ing after the plants had begun to  
send their roots, thus tearing them  
up and stopping the growth of the  
plant and cutting the yield in half.  
Farmers have quickly caught the  
fallacy of this, and are now pursu-  
ing the shallow cultivation." Evi-  
dently, there is no humbug about  
the government's system of farm-  
ing. The demonstration work is  
something that should attract the  
interest of every farmer in the  
State.

**The Road to Joyville**

If you want to go to Joyville  
take the smiling high road past  
Gladstone creek. Keep to the  
right all the way. If you meet a  
poor woman with a basket, carry  
it for her. When you meet a man,  
say "Howdy!" If you stay your  
toe, whistle. If it rains, croon a  
song. If you are cold, run a little  
and think about something that  
will make your heart glad. If the  
way is long, recall how you trudged  
every Sunday night to your best  
girl's house and never got tired.  
If a dog barks at you, don't throw  
a stone at him. Snap your fingers  
and say, "Good doggie!" If you  
feel like crying, laugh instead. If  
you do all this, you'll get to Joy-  
ville, all right—and it's about the  
only way you ever will get there.  
—Durham Sun.

All indications point to the fact  
that the Legislature will hold out  
its sixty days.

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gold mine, all that you have to do  
is to reach out for the nuggets.  
Remember that the editor has to  
eat and wear clothes the same as  
you do and what he sells is just as  
necessary to life and prosperity as  
your merchandise. See that he is  
the best cared for man in town, for  
the local newspapers are the great-  
est bulwark of American liberty  
and of Southern prosperity. The  
editor does not ask charity. He  
stands ready to repay 100 per cent.,  
yes, 500 per cent., on every dollar  
you spend with him, if you spend  
it right. If you spend it wrong,  
do not blame him. Line up your  
local editor, then line up your  
local banker. Retailers in combina-  
tion with the bankers and news-  
papermen of the country will make  
an irresistible force that will bring  
about the greatest success in the  
world. There is no power like the  
of the country press in America.  
Retailers seem to have been in-  
realizing this, but an intelligent  
use of the local newspaper assures  
success and prosperity. Get to-  
gether with the man who runs the  
paper in your town. Treat it as it  
deserves. Give it half what it gives  
you and together you will reach the  
goal you both seek. All honor to  
the local newspaper and the coun-  
try editor.

**President Gomez Inaugured**  
Havana, Jan. 28. Major Gen-  
eral Jose Miguel Gomez was inaugu-  
rated President of the restored  
Cuban republic today at ten and  
within an hour after he had taken  
the solemn oath of office adminis-  
tered by the Chief Justice of the  
Supreme Court, the American  
officials who had been in control of  
affairs since the autumn of 1902  
had departed from the island.

The American provisional Gov-  
ernor, Charles E. Magoon, who  
escorted General Gomez to the  
palace and there turned over to  
him the reins of government, sailed  
on the new Maine. The  
Maine was followed by the battle-  
ship Mississippi and the army  
transport McClellan. An im-  
mense crowd gathered along the  
sea walls to witness the spectacle  
and a perfect swarm of yachts,  
tugs and small boats accompanied  
the ships to the open sea, where  
full speed ahead was signalled and  
the gray fighting vessels and white  
transport soon left the little  
fortilla behind, with a chorus of  
whistles, searching far and wide  
for whales.

**Mistrial Is Ordered**  
Union City, Tenn., Jan. 28.—  
After being out for sixteen hours  
the jury in the trial of Ed. Mar-  
shall, alleged night rider, reported  
today that they could not agree on  
a verdict.  
"Do you think you could agree  
in two days or six months?" asked  
Judge Jones.  
"No sir," was the response of  
the foreman and the jury was at  
once discharged.  
They stood ten for acquittal and  
two for murder in the second de-  
gree.

**Charlotte Sidewalks**  
Charlotte is going to have both  
clean and clear sidewalks. Chief  
of Police Christenbury has sup-  
pressed the sidewalk skaters and  
will run in the spitters and the  
banana peeling throwers. That  
done, the street sweeping regulated  
so as not to throw the dirt up to  
the curbs like a tum-blow, and  
Charlotte will have good street  
conditions. —Charlotte Chronicle.

**Many Sleepless Nights, Owing to a Persistent  
and Cough. Relief Found at Last**  
"For several winters past my wife  
has been troubled with a most persistent  
and disagreeable cough, which invari-  
ably extended over a period of several  
weeks and caused her many sleepless  
nights," writes Will J. Hayer, editor  
of the Buryer, Colo., Bulletin. "Various  
remedies were tried each year, with no  
beneficial results. In November last the  
cough again put in an appearance and  
my wife, acting on the suggestion of a  
friend, purchased a bottle of Cham-  
berlain's Cough Remedy. The result was  
indeed, marvelous. After three doses  
the cough entirely disappeared and has  
not manifested itself since." This rem-  
edy is for sale by Streetman, druggist.

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sonable banking facility  
and solicit your busi-  
ness on this basis

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